

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.36631 of 2026

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-123 Year-2026 Thana- RANIGANJ District- Araria

Chandan Sah @ Chandan Kumar Sah S/o Vidyanand Sah R/o Village -
Koskapur Uttar, Ward No. 06, P.S - Raniganj, District - Araria

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Kundan Kumar Singh, Advocate

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Mritunjay Kumar Nirala, APP

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH KUMAR VERMA
ORAL ORDER

2 15-06-2026 Heard Mr. Kundan Kumar Singh, learned counsel
for the petitioner and Mr. Mritunjay Kumar Nirala, learned APP
for the State.

2. Petitioner seeks bail, who is in custody since
27.04.2026, in connection with Raniganj P.S. Case No. 123 of
2026, F.I.R. dated 26.04.2026 registered for the offences
punishable under Section 30(a) of the Excise Act.

3. Recovery is of 340.32 litres of *foreign* liquor.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the
petitioner has clean antecedent and he has been falsely
implicated in the present case. He further submits that it
appears from the F.I.R. as well as seizure list that nothing has
been recovered from the conscious possession of the petitioner
rather recovery has been made from the vehicle in question and



the petitioner has no concern at all with the alleged recovery of illicit liquor or the vehicle in question and the petitioner has been made accused merely on the basis of suspicion and except the suspicion, nothing has come during investigation to suggest the involvement of the petitioner in the present occurrence. The petitioner is in custody since 27.04.2026.

5. The learned Additional Public Prosecutor for the State has vehemently opposed the prayer for bail of the petitioner and submits that the petitioner was apprehended at the place of occurrence and apart from aforesaid huge quantity of illicit liquor was recovered from the vehicle in question.

6. Considering the facts and circumstances of the case and the fact that the petitioner having clean antecedent and nothing has been recovered from the conscious possession of the petitioner and there is non-compliance of Sections 103 and 105 of the BNSS, 2023, let the petitioner, above named, be released on bail on furnishing bail bond of Rs. 10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of learned Exclusive Special Excise Court-I, Araria in connection with Raniganj P.S. Case No. 123 of 2026, subject to the following conditions :-

(1) Petitioner shall co-operate in the trial and shall be



properly represented on each and every date fixed by the Court and shall remain physically present as directed by the Court and on his absence on two consecutive dates without sufficient reason, his bail bond shall be cancelled by the Court below.

(2) If the petitioner tampers with the evidence or the witness, in that case, the prosecution will be at liberty to move for cancellation of bail.

(3) And, further condition that the court below shall verify the criminal antecedent of the petitioner and in case at any stage, it is found that the petitioner has concealed his criminal antecedents, the court below shall take step for cancellation of bail bond of the petitioner. However, the acceptance of bail bonds in terms of the above-mentioned order shall not be delayed for purpose of or in the name of verification.

(Rajesh Kumar Verma, J)

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